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To: Supervisor Don Knabe, Chair  
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**LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO LARGE SCALES POWER OUTAGE**

On August 19, 2003, on a motion by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, your Board directed the Chief Administrative Office, assisted by Internal Services, Health Services, Public Works, Fire, and Sheriff to develop a report on the County's ability to respond to a large-scale power outage of the type that recently occurred on the East Coast.

On September 19, 2003, I sent your Board an update (see attached) on the County departments' response capabilities to a large scale power outage. At that time, I requested an extension to January 30, 2004, to convene a multi-disciplinary taskforce known as the "Operational Area Power Outage Taskforce" to develop plans and procedures to assist the County in responding to any future large scale power outages. Due to the response and recovery efforts by the County and taskforce members (Southern California Edison, Gas Company, Los Angeles City Department of Water and Power, and the Governor's Office of Emergency Services) to the recent wildfires and flash-flood, the taskforce has been unable to convene to formulate its report.

Since these agencies remain focused on fire and storm related issues, I am requesting an additional extension of sixty days so that the taskforce can commence its work and submit its report. The new submission date for the report will be March 30, 2004.

DEJ:CP  
JT:jl

Attachment

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors